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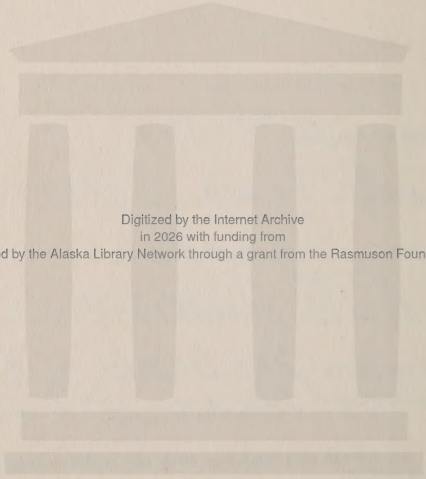

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Oct. 19, 1936

Mr. A. H. Howell took me over to Carnegie Museum in his car about 10:30 a.m. Looked up Mr. J. Kenneth Doutt, Department of Mammalogy who showed me some mammals. Mr. Doutt worked in Montana Nebs Nevada in 1936 and on James Bay and East side of Hudson Bay in 1935.

He has a large series of Red Squirrels from Moosonee, Hayes Island, Fort Hope, Etc. on East side of Hudson Bay. All but one in Summer Coat, dark yellowish Red back, tail tufts pale with black Edging. One winter skin from Fort Hope is rather dark, much like ones from Wawanipi Lake. Howell thinks most of these are Hudsonicus hudsonicus Erxleben. but those from inland East of James Bay may be loquacious

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Lepus hudsonicus

Fort George, East side James Bay
10 specimens
Rupert House. 11 specimen
Great Whale River 6 (?).

Hayes Island, 2½ miles East of Moosonee. 27 specimen
Mr Doutt says that Hayes Isl. is not a very large island in the Estuary of Moose

The above jumping mice seem to be typical Hudson Bay jumping mice, rather dark in color & buff, sides with Isabey pale and Yellowish. Four specimen from Fort George have white at tip of tail, the longest being about 15 mm., the shortest a mere tip of white at end of tail. I took these to be Napaeozapus at first sight as the T.-H. people had called them as Napaeozapus.

but with dorsal, and has the skull available. All of them have the upper premolar present

Seals – Mr. Lovett showed me some seal skin garments, showing considerable variation in colour of skin and in markings – some velvety and others strongly yellow the latter may be due to oil staining in grease burning

Arctic Fox are good about Lake in summer pelage

Several pairs skins of Red and Cross fox from Hudson's Bay Company

1 Woodchuck from St George. It looked very red (Red Rock Bay bears were less reddish, more black rather light). Howell says it is Marmota monax Canadensis, which is probably correct, although the skin is no redder than average Nfld ones

May 1, 1937.
Left Ottawa 10.45 pm (Standard Time)
May 2, 1937. Arrived in Toronto,
7.00 a.m. (Standard Time) Got a room
at Walker House, No. 129. Called up
Professor R.B. Thomson about 9.15 a.m.
to make arrangements with Prof Hosie
and called for me about 10.00 a.m.
Thomson had to go out of the city in afternoon
but stopped at his home and picked up
Mrs Thomson and a Young Chinese student
Mr. Li, who is working for a doctor's
degree in pedagogy. We reached Prof Hosie's
home, 87 Humberview Road about
11.00 a.m. A beautiful view from north
cliff overlooking Humber valley (a new
real estate development). Mr. Hosie built
on the bottomlands of Humber for some
distance for a city park. Prof Thomson
said this was the site he tried to get for
a botanic garden years ago.
Thomson had to leave soon and I discussed
with Asst Professor Hosie (Faculty of
Forestry) the plans of field party which
he will take out for the National Museum

May 2, 1937. (Sunday) Toronto

I told Prof. Hosie that the Museum was now prepared to give him a little better terms than in 1935. His pay will be the same, $1250 per month, but instead of one month's pay for writing a report, he will receive 50% of the salary drawn while in the field. He estimates 3 months in the field, beginning about June 1st, which will be $360.00 + $180 = $540.00 He said this was satisfactory

Re his first assistant, Mr. S.T.B. Losee. the rate of $3.20 (or $3.25?) per day will be welcome, but there is a slight doubt whether Losee will come, as he is working on other work. Hosie said he would like Losee badly, if he did not come, but could take Stallwood as assistant (at $2.75 per day. or Haldenby at $3.50.

We do not yet know whether Mr. Oliver Hewitt, McKenzie Island student, from Sault Ste. Marie will

to available.

Hosie says that the increase in pay will make it hard to keep within the $1,900.00 allowed on Estimate for the season. Rather than drop the fourth man, he suggests shortening the field season.

Hosie's Estimate Apr 26 1907 = $1162.00

Later Estimate (Mch. C.) for salary and wages

Hosie, P.C. Leader	3 mo @ $120.00	$360.00
Add 50% for Asst		180.00
		$540.00
Jones, S.T.B.	88 da. @ 3.20	281.60
Stallwood	88 da. @ 2.75	242.00
Otherman . . .	2.75	242.00
		13.00.60
Hosie 1st Estimate		1162.00
Deficit		$143.60

Mr Hosie has to leave with Hanley field party tomorrow, May 3rd, and will be gone until May 15th. We can clear some of these details for settlement on the days he will be [illegible] party until June 31st. We may be able to get more money by that time

Most of the Equipment that Prof Howe needs is probably in stock, but some extras will be needed and the National Herbarium has some of the material in stock

Wanted

1500 Driers, 12" x 18", corrugated, Howe can take 500 from stock. Should supply at least 1,000 from Ottawa

Newsprint, white 23" x 16½", for 3 botanical collectors need about 8,000 sheets. Prefer not to have it all shipped at once. Send 3,000 at start

Cartons, knock down sort for shipping specimens in sheets. Ship the 3,000 sheets in these Cartons and they can be used for storing specimens as they are dried in the field

Send 1 or 2 dozen flat Cartons in addition

We have these in stock in Nat. Herbarium

Hosea - Equipment needed.

6 Drying frames, 4 pairs. with webbing straps for same

1 Cameras - One additional camera needed, in addition to Proj. Hosea's private camera: in 1935 Mr. Leslie had another camera: 3A - Kodak Folding

1 Book. "Flora Laurentienne" by Fr. Marie-Victorin: wishes to have a duplicate copy from library on loan if possible. If one is not available he may be able to buy a copy.

Re Motor Car: He has information that cars are available for hire at Schreiber or Rossport. He is not yet assured that cars can get through from the west, but the area can be reached by car from Port Arthur. Can drive from there around west end of Lake Superior by going through U.S. territory.

None of the men available have a personal car. Prof Thomson said that if a car could be obtained he would get the University of Toronto to pay the men for weeks salary & drive to Schreiber and back, allowing the party to collect plants along the way.

Professor Thomson said that Assistant Professor T. M. C. Taylor would be in the Botany Building at 9 a.m. tomorrow, and has no classes at that time.

May 2 Re botanic Garden.

Prof Thomson said he has not yet received the report by Dr. Grisson to the Botanical Committee, but thought it may come Monday. I said that I received a copy Saturday, and he asked me to bring it to his office tomorrow morning and we could go over the points discussed. He agrees with me that we should have some Construction Plans which are practical, so that the Royal Society Committee and the Governmental authorities could "have something to chew on", as he said.

Thomson said that one botanic Garden is not enough; that there should be several, for Educational purposes. He has been trying for years to get a botanic Garden established near Toronto, jointly by Toronto University, the City, and the Province. It will be a slow growth, but a start is necessary.

May 2 (Sunday).

Started for Dr. Seymour Hadwen's house, 5 Forbes Road about 7½ p.m. Take Bay-Lansdowne car at Queen's Quay and Front Street get off at Balmoral Street, and walk about half a block to Forbes Road (3rd house from Ceres). Had some delay in getting right car and arrived about 8¼ p.m. Had a short visit with Dr. and Mrs. Hadwen and the Children, and then had a long talk with Dr. Hadwen. Rev. Gideon and Mrs. Hadwen came down and we had tea about 10 3¼ p.m. before I went back to hotel. Hadwen asked me to call at his office Ontario Research Foundation 43-47 Queen's Park. (Near Queen's Park Crescent, East.)

Wrote a letter to M.B.H. after returning to hotel.

Vegetation at Toronto not much further advanced than at Ottawa. Tree budding only the Norway Maples (N.B.T.) have broken out buds and show small green leaves

May 3 (Monday). Tarrytown

Clear and warm all day; partly hot in afternoon. Up at 7ᵃᵐ a.m. and started for Botany Building. Got off by street car at St Nicholas, but would have done better to get off at College Street and walk west about 3 blocks, past Queen's Park to corner of University Grounds. Botany Building and greenhouses near the corner. The Biology Building is a little beyond (around the corner of Wall

Saw Dr. (Asst Prof.) F. M. C. Taylor first. In office on 2nd floor of Botany Bldg discussed his report for 1936, which he is now preparing. Told him of Dr. Malcolm's suggestion that he add "Common, occasional, rare, or frequently rare, etc" to plants in his annotated catalogue of flowering plants and ferns. He said he had considered doing this, but decided against it as many of the species were very local. Some species were common in "spots" and not found in other large areas

Taylor, J. M. C.

Dr. Taylor said he had enough good photographs to illustrate his report.

He said he would write a brief summary of his field work for 1936 before he left and mail it to me at Ottawa. Covering about as much ground as Prof. Hosie took the year before. He wrote also wrote to Dr. D. A. MacLulich at Vermilion and ask him to send in a brief summary of the Zoological work of 1936 in Thunder Bay area, Ontario.

Aboard 9:45 went with Prof. R. B. Thomson of Toronto, Dr. W. A. Sifton, systematic botanist was with him and we had a brief discussion of botanical projects they had not seen Dr. Gibson's mimeographed Report on

or rather Dr. Gibson

They expected to receive a copy in mail today, and suggested that I leave my copy for them to read and digest and I could come back again in afternoon

and we could discuss the Report in detail.

10th went out to Royal Ontario Museum of Zoology;

met Nielsen, taxidermist in the hall and had a brief talk

Asst. E.C. Cross is away on field work.

L.L. Snyder: Curator of Birds

He is working on Sharp-shinned Hawks and thinks he has a new race.

He showed me a new Economic Educational Group — showing stuffed owl and hawk "pellets" and percentage of Meadow Mouse remains.

He is planning a group based on Hawks sitting up flocks, "The hawk that ate Jack Frost" — bird-rodent-insect etc.

Saw Terry Shortt and Jos. L. Baillie in Hall — Shortt Brothers is probably going out with Hermer (Cobalt?)

Jos. L. Baillie says that the R.O.M. of Z got a collection of mammals from Schreiber Passport area last summer.

May 3,

12[00] Back to Ontario Research Foundation Bldg. 43-47 Queen's Park. and found Dr. Hadwen. His assistant now is Dr. Fallis.

Mrs. Hadwen and son Theodore came in car and took us out to Hadwen's for luncheon. Their older children do not come home for luncheon.

Mrs. H. took us down to University grounds again about 2[30] and left us at Botany Building (New College Street).

Had a conference with Professor R. B. Harrison [illegible] Dr. H. B. Sifton, Ph.D. associate Professor of Plant Morphology and Dr. Sifton until about 4 pm. Dr. Sifton was formerly in Dept of Agriculture at Ottawa, and does not seem very enthusiastic about the botanical work at Experimental Farm, Ottawa, from the standpoint of pure science (systematic botany). They admit that Dr. Grisson has organized the pathological work well.

The University botanists believe in botanic gardens but think that there should be liaison & liaison between them & Ottawa

Dr. Sifton suggests & thinks that it is not essential to combine botanic garden with a central herbarium

The botanic garden is very educational, a show place, and useful for testing plants for growing qualities.

The National Herbarium should be a central reference collection, and should have a good complement thoroughly trained scientific staff — certainly not less than two trained by systematic botanists.

After considerable discussion, it was unanimously agreed that the National Museum of Canada (including the National Herbarium) has suffered for years because it has never had a unified control, — too few to [illegible] top.

That is to say, the Museum has had a series of "Acting Directors" all of them having very more or less trained geologists but in most cases will little interest in other lines. The museum is large enough and important enough in its scientific and Cultural aspects to stand by itself.

The first suggestion was that the National Museum should be a separate Bureau in Dept of Mines. (An objection was raised to that plan making it an appendage of the Mines and Geology Branch, which is too closely tied up and controlled by purely Economic Considerations.

Dr. Sifton was strongly in favour of creating a National Museum Branch, under Dept of Mines and Resources. If it is not large enough to rate as a Branch it should be, and

if it included biological Surveys, Geological, Botanical, anthropological &c, it would desirable to make it nothing short of a Branch preferably under the Dept of Mines and Resources, and responsible to the Deputy Minister.

The above plan would enable the Museum head to bring problems of more difficulty, so that they could be brought to attention of higher authorities without being by men who understood the problems, and avoid weakening of arguments by transmission through non-interested intermediaries.

Before this, in discussing Dr. Jessop's suggestion that all botanical services, including the National Herbarium, be placed under the Department of Agriculture, I called attention to my own objection to the proposition

I said that it seemed to me that the Department of Agriculture had shown little interest in wild life, either of animals or plants — that their interests were in cultivated plants (grains, grasses, fruits,) and that interest in wild animals was principally directed towards Elimination of them from the picture.

I said that Forestry had far more to do with the Native flora of Canada. That the foresters studied the wild plants, and listed the species and their ecology associations in a short. I noted ... the Dominion Forestry is already in the Dept. of Mines Museum and cooperates with the National Herbarium to a considerable extent

to Sifton

Thomson interjected "Oh — that is just the idea which occurred to me when Sifton and I went over the recommendations."

Additional remarks during Thomson-
Sifter - Anderson discussion

May 3 (Monday).
4/30 pm Went back to Waller House, had dinner and checker out. Left Toronto on #801 at 6.00 p.m. (Standard Time).
Arrived Buffalo 8.55 p.m., Central Terminal. Bought a through ticket to Washington for $3.00
Left Buffalo 9.45 p.m. (S.T.)
Clear and warm all day

May 4th (Tuesday)
Had a good sleep in berth. Up at 7.45. Trees are showing some green approaching Baltimore.
Arrived at Washington, D.C. 8.40 a.m. Took taxi to Raleigh Hotel. Met by Jane & Kay. Went to room and washed up. Some letters. A Mr. Patterson (?) & Harris & Ewing, photographers, called up and asked me to allow pictures taken of Shirley on Mezzanine floor. The photographers are old timers - and talked about taking photos of H.R.H. Prince Charles, Lord Aberdeen, Kenneth Hughes, John Lewis, Byrd Exton.

Saw Dr. M. W. Lyon and Dr. Jas McTaggart-Cowan of Vancouver. Mrs. Cowan was Cotton-tail of Toronto, and is now with Relatives in Montreal. He cancelled attending meeting of Amer. Museum Assn. at New Orleans, and has been here several days. He will go to Carnegie Museum, (Pittsburgh) or Field Museum (Chicago) and meet his wife at Winnipeg. He says he has seen nearly all the Mt. Sheep.

Prof A. H. Wright, Cornell Univ
Common Names of North American Fishes
and Reptiles.

He said he had looked through all
the literature in the above and North
American. Listed all the common names
also, in connection with the Linné
birds, and through the literature
since 1850.

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